



Queensland at a Glance 2012



PEOPLE

DEMOGRAPHY

	2005 '000	2009 '000	2010 '000
Estimated resident population(a)			
Queensland	3994.9	4424.8	4505.9

(a) At 30 June.

Components of population change(a)	no.	no.	no.
Natural increase(b)	28,051	38,436	35,119
Net overseas migration	29,555	59,373	36,414
Net interstate migration	30,371	18,388	9,576

(a) Twelve months ended 30 June.

(b) Excess of births over deaths.

Vital statistics(a)	no.	no.	no.
Births	51,661	66,097	64,467
Deaths	23,584	26,316	27,289
Marriages	24,303	26,342	26,530
Divorces	12,383	11,174	11,418

(a) Twelve months ended 31 December. Vital events are published on a year of registration basis.

Age groups(a)	%	%	%
0-14 years	21	20	20
15-24 years	14	14	14
25-44 years	29	28	28
45-64 years	25	25	25
65 years and over	12	12	13

(a) As proportion of Queensland estimated resident population.

LABOUR MARKET

	2005-06 '000	2009-10 '000	2010-11 '000
Annual averages			
Labour force	2,133.6	2,410.7	2,461.0
Employed persons	2,031.4	2,273.5	2,326.4
Unemployed persons	102.2	137.2	134.6
	%	%	%
Unemployment rate	4.8	5.7	5.5
Participation rate	66.4	67.5	67.5
	2006 '000	2010 '000	2011 '000
Job vacancies, Aug.	39.8	33.4	44.6
	2006 \$	2010 \$	2011 \$
Average weekly earnings, Aug.	816.20	983.70	1023.60

REGIONAL POPULATION

	2005 '000	2009 '000	2010 '000
Selected local government areas(a)			
Brisbane (City)	973.9	1052.4	1067.3
Bundaberg (Region)	85.5	95.1	96.9
Cairns (Region)	142.0	164.4	168.3
Charters Towers (Region)	12.2	12.7	12.8
Fraser Coast (Region)	85.6	99.5	102.1
Gladstone (Region)	52.2	59.6	60.3
Gold Coast (City)	450.5	514.9	527.8
Ipswich (City)	138.2	162.4	168.1
Mackay (Region)	103.1	116.1	118.8
Maranoa (Region)(b)	12.9	13.2	13.4
Moreton Bay (Region)	325.1	371.2	382.3
Mount Isa (City)	20.8	21.8	22.0
Rockhampton (Region)	105.2	114.1	115.5
Sunshine Coast (Region)	286.6	323.4	330.9
Toowoomba (Region)	148.3	159.1	162.1
Townsville (City)	160.2	181.7	185.8

(a) Estimated resident population at 30 June

(b) Previously named Roma

EDUCATION

	2005 no.	2009 no.	2010 no.
Schools, August	1,734	1,710	1702
Government	1,280	1,245	1,235
Non-government	449	465	467
Students, August(a)	652,204	724,426	731,617
Government	455,687	490,690	492,114
Non-government	196,517	233,736	239,503

(a) Including full-time and part-time primary and secondary students.

CRIME AND JUSTICE

	2004-05 no.	2008-09 no.	2009-10 no.
Total police strength at 30 June(a)	9,310	10,645	10,702
Sentence outcomes in Magistrates Courts	119,579	148,738	156,768
Sentence outcomes in Higher Courts	5,091	4,511	4,214

(a) Including recruits in training.

Source: Queensland Police Service.

INDUSTRY

AGRICULTURE(a)

		2008-09	2009-10
Agricultural establishments(b)	no.	25,136	24,726
Area of farms	'000 ha	141,210	129,668
Total area of crops(c)	'000 ha	2,795	2,321

Agricultural production	'000 tonnes	'000 tonnes
Apples	25	32
Bananas	247	280
Barley	173	113
Carrots	^30	^44
Cotton lint	154	138
Grain sorghum	1,771	926
Grapes	^8	^14
Mandarins	56	62
Mangoes	27,079	29,436
Oranges	6,790	6,288
Potatoes	^98	95
Sugar cane cut for crushing	29,842	29,330
Strawberries	14	13
Tomatoes	138	102
Wheat	2,016	1,346

Livestock	'000	'000
Meat cattle	12,151	11,193
Milk cattle	^181	162
Sheep and lambs	4,285	3,622
Pigs	596	583
Chickens for meat production	^15,874	12,246
Chickens for egg production	3,372	3,250

Brokers and dealers receivals of taxable wool	tonnes	10,829	8,817
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Value of agricultural production	\$m	\$m
Crops(d)	4,883.5	4,755.7
Livestock disposals	4,033.2	3,887.8
Livestock products	488.8	493.6
Total	9,405.5	9,137.1

^ Estimate has a relative standard error of 10% to 25% and should be used with caution.

(a) Establishments with an estimated value of agricultural operations of \$5,000 or more.

(b) At 30 June.

(c) Excluding crops harvested for hay and seed, and pasture and grasses.

(d) Including pastures and grasses, vegetables, fruit and nuts.

MINING

		2008-09	2009-10
Mineral commodities produced		'000 tonnes	'000 tonnes
Black coal (saleable)	'000 tonnes	190,895	205,719
Bauxite	'000 tonnes	17,415	17,890
Copper (metal content)	'000 tonnes	355	215
Lead (metal content)	'000 tonnes	411	427
Gold (metal content)	kilograms	18,110	13,191
Silver (metal content)	tonnes	1,560	1,695
Zinc	'000 tonnes	880	832
		\$m	\$m
Value of mineral commodities produced		49,430	29,661

SELECTED INDUSTRIES

	Employment(a)	2009-10
		Sales & service income(b) \$m
Agriculture, forestry and fishing	106	13,581
Mining	39	38,642
Manufacturing	180	68,064
Electricity, gas, water and waste services	23	17,447
Construction	224	60,548
Wholesale trade	95	78,256
Retail trade	257	71,244
Accommodation and food services	187	15,484
Transport, postal and warehousing	115	27,250
Information media and telecommunications	25	8,613
Rental, hiring and real estate services	79	16,633
Professional, scientific and technical services	159	25,551
Administrative and support services	131	10,988
Public administration and safety	12	996
Education and training (private)	63	2,488
Health care and social assistance (private)	176	11,844
Arts and recreation services	38	4,713
Other services	94	9,247
Total selected industries(c)	2,005	481,589

(a) At 30 June, including working proprietors.

(b) Including rent, leasing and hiring income.

(c) Excluding ANZSIC Division K - Financial and insurance services.

BUILDING

	2009-10	2010-11
Number of dwelling unit completions	no.	no.
New houses	22,931	19,068
New other residential building	10,644	10,395
Conversions, etc.	62	49
Total	33,638	29,513
Value of building work completed	\$m	\$m
New houses	6,240	5,289
New other residential building	2,793	2,798
Alterations and additions	1,270	1,356
Non-residential building	6,081	6,928
Total	16,382	16,370

TOURIST ACCOMMODATION(a)

		2009-10	2010-11
Number of establishments(b)	no.	1,143	1,125
Number of rooms(b)	no.	61,632	60,747
Room occupancy rate	%	61.8	63.2
Guest nights occupied	'000	26,573.8	26,658.6
Guest arrivals	'000	9,938.7	9,924.7
Takings from accommodation	\$m	2,007	2,095

(a) Hotels, motels and serviced apartments with 15 or more rooms.

(b) At 30 June.

SALES OF NEW MOTOR VEHICLES (b)

	2009-10	2010-11
	'000	'000
Passenger vehicles	111	105
Sports utility vehicles	47	48
Other Vehicles	51	51
Total	209	204

(b) Based on trend data

RETAIL TURNOVER

	2009-10	2010-11
	\$m	\$m
Food retailing	20,204	21,212
Household goods retailing	8,688	8,327
Clothing, footwear and personal accessory retailing	3,267	3,406
Department stores	3,717	3,715
Other retailing	7,265	7,234
Cafes, restaurants and takeaway food services	5,913	6,142
Total	49,053	50,035

ECONOMY

CONSUMER PRICE INDEX, BRISBANE (a)

	2009-10	2010-11
Food	191.2	198.4
Alcohol and tobacco	273.0	301.7
Clothing and footwear	107.1	104.7
Housing	176.0	183.8
Household contents and services	134.8	135.0
Health	261.4	271.8
Transportation	170.7	177.0
Communication	116.3	116.2
Recreation	133.1	130.9
Education	329.7	346.0
Financial and insurance services(b)	110.2	115.2
All groups	175.5	181.4

(a) Unless otherwise specified, base of each index is 1989-90 = 100.

(b) Base: June quarter 2005 = 100.

EXTERNAL MERCHANDISE TRADE

	2009-10 \$m	2010-11 \$m
Exports		
Foreign	43,266	49,368
Interstate(a)	20,969	18,849
Imports		
Foreign	31,035	33,088
Interstate(a)	36,305	35,490

STATE GOVERNMENT FINANCE

	2008-09 \$m	2009-10 \$m
Total GFS revenue	44,144	48,585
Total GFS expenses	46,701	50,816

ENVIRONMENT

CLIMATIC DATA, BRISBANE

Month	Unit	2010	2011		
		Dec	Mar	Jun	Sep
Mean daily maximum	°C	26.8	27.8	20.3	23.6
Mean daily minimum	°C	20.5	20.2	9.5	11.4
Rainfall, total	mm	499.4	188.6	7.4	16.4
Rain days	no.	23	16	4	7
Mean daily sunshine	hours	4.5	6.4	6.9	9.6
Strong wind days, over 50 km/h	no.	8	3	1	5

Source: Bureau of Meteorology.

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SYMBOLS AND ABBREVIATIONS

°C	degrees Celsius
\$	dollars
GFS	government finance statistics
ha	hectare
mm	millimetre
\$m	million dollars
n.a.	not available for publication
no.	number
%	per cent
\$'000	thousand dollars
'000	thousand
^	estimate has a relative standard error of 10% to 25% and should be used with caution

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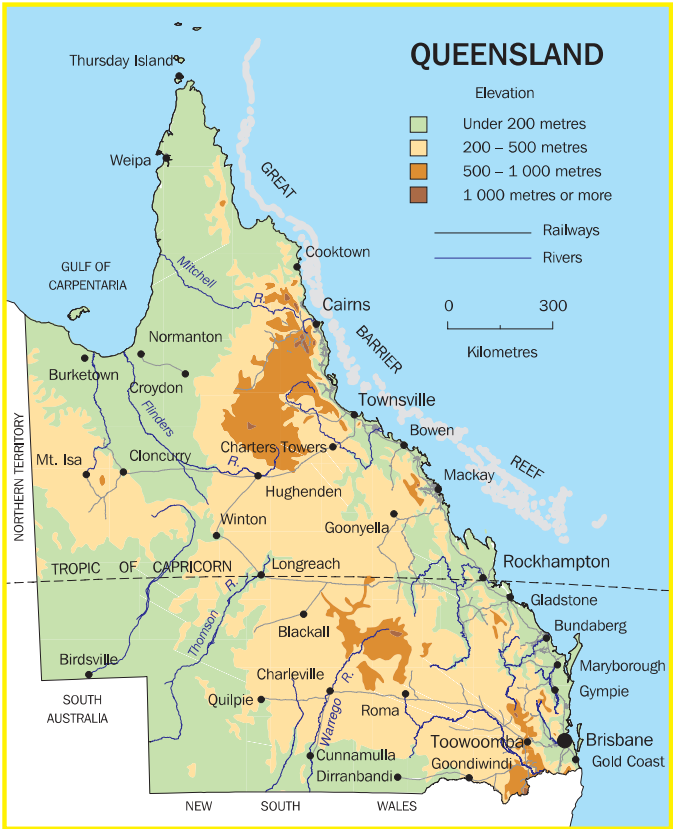
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GEOGRAPHY

Situated generally between 10° and 29° south latitude and between 138° and 154° east longitude, Queensland occupies the north-eastern portion of the Australian continent. Of the total area of approximately 1.73 million square kilometres, just over half is north of the Tropic of Capricorn. Of the states and territories of Australia, Queensland ranks second in area and third in population.

GOVERNMENT

Queensland is a constituent state of the Commonwealth of Australia, and observes the Australian Constitution. While returning elected members to both upper and lower houses of the Federal Parliament, Queensland is unique in that its own State Parliament has only one house – the Legislative Assembly. Local government derives its powers from Acts passed by the State Parliament. The capital city is Brisbane.



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